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**University of Washington
Department of Political Science
Political Economy Graduate Reading List
2007**

The list below represents an initial guide only. Each student must negotiate a final reading list with the field examiner.

Economic Models of Politics and Decision Making

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There are a number of books that provide background to game theory. We especially recommend the following:

James Morrow. Game Theory for Political Scientists

Kenneth Shepsle and Mark Bonacik, Analyzing Politics

Steven Brams, Theory of Moves

Peter Ordeshook, Game Theory and Political Theory

Eric Rasmussen, Games and Information

Micro and Macro Institutions

Chandler, Alfred (1977) The Visible Hand. Belknap Press.

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